

IN THE SENATE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 139

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND PROFESSIONAL-TECHNICAL
EDUCATION IN IDAHO.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, professional-technical education (PTE) is designed to provide
Idaho's youth and adults with technical skills, knowledge and attitudes nec-
essary for successful performance in a highly effective workplace; and

WHEREAS, according to the Idaho Division of Professional-Technical
Education, in 2013, just over 10,000 students were enrolled in 14 profes-
sional-technical schools offering 99 programs; and

WHEREAS, 64% of high school students who completed a PTE program en-
rolled in college as compared to 46% of the general student population; and

WHEREAS, 94% of high school students who completed a PTE program suc-
cessfully found jobs or continued their education; and

WHEREAS, 7,760 full-time and part-time students enrolled in technical
college degree or certificate programs; and

WHEREAS, 1,859 students graduated from technical colleges with post-
secondary degrees and certificates; and

WHEREAS, professional-technical education is becoming an increasingly
important part of the education of Idahoans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Ses-
sion of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature, the Senate and the House of Rep-
resentatives concurring therein, that the Legislative Council is authorized
to appoint a committee to review and understand professional-technical edu-
cation in Idaho including, but not limited to, such institutions' finances,
curricula, problems and accomplishments and any other relevant information
relating to professional-technical education. The Legislative Council
shall determine the number of legislators and membership from each house
appointed to the committee and shall authorize the committee to receive in-
put, advice and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not
members of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any advisors to the committee who are not
legislative members shall not be reimbursed from legislative funds for per
diem, mileage or other expenses and shall not have voting privileges regard-
ing the committee's recommendations and proposed legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall report to the First Reg-
ular Session of the Sixty-third Idaho Legislature and detail its findings,
recommendations and proposed legislation, if any.